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SUBJECT: SHORT-TERM LEASE FOR RALPH V. KORP

1. TREASURY DEPARTMENT REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING THREE OR FOUR-BEDROOM FURNISHED OR PARTLY FURNISHED APARTMENT FOR KORP. MISSION AND EMBASSY HAVE FOUND EXTREME SCARCITY FURNISHED APARTMENTS AND ALMOST ALL IN UNACCEPTABLY HIGH PRICE RANGE AS WELL AS REQUIRING CONSIDERABLE EXPENSES FOR REFURBISHING, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.

2. MISSION HAS LOCATED UNFURNISHED THREE-BEDROOM APARTMENT IN 16TH CONTAINING ADEQUATE USABLE REPRESENTATION SPACE. ANNUAL LEASE COSTS FOR THIS APARTMENT ARE 68,000 FRANCS PLUS ESTIMATED UTILITY CHARGES 4,800 FRANCS FOR TOTAL ANNUAL HOUSING COSTS OF 72,800 FRANCS (\$L5,326). OWNER WILL HOLD APARTMENT UNTIL CLOSE OF BUSINESS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15. MISSION HOPES OBTAIN THREE-YEAR LEASE WITH THREE ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS.

3. KORPS ARE WILLING TO HAVE THEIR FURNITURE SHIPPED FROM UNITED STATES. HOWEVER, FURNITURE IN STORAGE IS NOT SUFFICIENT FOR THIS APARTMENT AND DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY APPLIANCES. IN ORDER INSTALL KORP IN APARTMENT, REQUEST ALLOTMENT \$7,000 COVER COST SUPPLEMENTAL FURNISHINGS AND APPLIANCES.

4. MISSION UNDERSTANDS THAT HOUSING AND INSTALLATION
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COSTS FOR KORP CHARGEABLE TO OECD BUDGET AND BE

REFLECTED ON REVISED USOECD BUDGET SCHEDULE S/9.
REVISED ESTIMATES SHOWING CURRENT USOECD
FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS WILL BE SUBMITTED AT AN EARLY
DATE.

5. DEPARTMENT'S URGENT CONSIDERATION IS REQUESTED FOR
AUTHORIZATION SIGN GOVERNMENT LEASE FOR THIS
APARTMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT ALLOTMENT OF \$7,000
COVER COST OF FURNISHINGS AND APPLIANCES. WHEN
ABOVE APPROVED, DEPARTMENT REQUESTED ARRANGE WITH
TREASURY HAVE KORP ORDERS AMENDED PROVIDE FOR FULL
SHIPMENT OF EFFECTS.
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